RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION Attorney Docket No.: Q94013

Application No.: 10/582,845

REMARKS

I. Status of Application

Claims 1-7 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-5 are allowed. Claims

6 and 7 are objected to.

II. Formalities

The Examiner has acknowledged Applicant's claim to foreign priority and has indicated

that all of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

The Examiner has indicated that the drawings filed on June 14, 2006 have been

accepted.

The Examiner has considered all the references cited with the Information Disclosure

Statement filed on June 14, 2006 and June 21, 2007.

III. Claim Objections

Claims 6 and 7 are objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c) as allegedly being in improper

form because a multiple dependent claim cannot depend from any other multiple dependent

claim. Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections and submits that, contrary to the grounds

of objection, neither claim 6 nor claim 7 is a multiple dependent claim. Indeed, claim 6 depends

from claim 5 alone and claim 7 depends from claim 6 alone. Therefore, claims 6 and 7 are in

proper form and Applicant respectfully requests that these objections be withdrawn.

Further, during a telephone interview conducted on June 9, 2009, the Examiner

confirmed that the current objections to claims 6 and 7 are improper and agreed to withdraw

these objections if formal arguments to this effect were set forth in a formal written response to

the outstanding Ex Parte Quayle Action.

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Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw these

objections.

IV. Objections to the Specification

The Abstract of the Disclosure is objected to due to alleged informalities. Without

conceding to the merits of the Examiner's objections, the Abstract has been replaced with a new

Abstract, as set forth above. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner

withdraw these objections.

V. Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed

to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is

kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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